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VEHICLE DOOR HANDLE DEVICE

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DRAWINGS: 5 sheets of formal drawings sheets of informal drawings

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Basic Application Fee (1001)					\$ 770.00
Total Claims	5	MINUS 20 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
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Total Application Fee					\$ 770.00
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